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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 11 SERIES OF 2020

PROVIDING FURTHER GUIDELINES ON SOCIAL DISTANCING AND ADOPTING A CALIBRATED COMMUNITY QUARANTINE IN THE CITY OF DIPOLOG AND FOR OTHER RELEVANT PURPOSES

WHEREAS, after its declaration of the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) as a global pandemic, the World Health Organization (WHO) also made pronouncements that the spread of this disease may be significantly slowed or even reversed through robust containment and control activities;

WHEREAS, President Rodrigo Duterte has already placed the entire country under a State of Public Health Emergency pursuant to Proclamation No. 922 and recently called for the raising of the Code Alert System for the COVID-19 to Code Red Sublevel Two (2);

WHEREAS, the Office of the President, through the Executive Secretary, has likewise issued a Memorandum which provides "Stringent Social Distancing Measures and Further Guidelines for the Management of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19 Situation" and directs all agencies, including local government units (LGUs) to immediately comply;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 11332, otherwise known as the "Mandatory Reporting of Notifiable Diseases and Health Events of Public Health Concern," empowers our public health authorities to declare quarantine, isolation and rapid containment measures for disease prevention and control;

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention made public statements that certain viral infections are believed to be spread mainly through close contact in the community and that social distancing measures aim to reduce the frequency of contact and increase the physical distance between persons, thereby minimizing the risk of person-to-person transmission;

WHEREAS, in response to these pronouncements and taking into primordial consideration the general welfare of our constituents, the undersigned has issued Executive Order No. 09-2020: "Immediately Suspending Social Events and Mass Gatherings, Both Public and Private, to Help Combat the Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19) Pandemic in the City of Dipolog and For Other Relevant Purposes," and Executive Order No. 10-2020 which directs the "Cancellation of Classes in All Levels in Both Public and Private Schools";

WHEREAS, the Provincial Government of Zamboanga del Norte has recently issued Executive Order No. 20-24: "Imposing General Community Quarantine in the Province of Zamboanga del Norte from March 17, 2020, 12:00 noon Until April 14, 2020;

WHEREAS, there is a need for the City Government to further make drastic, proactive and aggressive measures to complement with the foregoing issuances and help curb the exponential rise of this threatening disease the soonest possible time;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DAREL DEXTER T. UY, Mayor of the City of Dipolog, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law do hereby ORDER:

SEC. 1. GENERAL COMMUNITY QUARANTINE. — A General Community Quarantine is hereby imposed within the territorial jurisdiction of the City of Dipolog effective 12:01 A.M. of March 18, 2020, which further limits the movement of people to access to basic necessities and work, and provides for the presence of uniformed personnel, health and quarantine officers at border checkpoints.

As such and as a general policy, all persons within the territorial jurisdiction of the City of Dipolog, during the effectivity of this Order, shall restrict their movements and remain in their residences (stay at home), especially those with manifest signs and symptoms, travel history abroad or in any part of the country with confirmed COVID-19 cases, or those who have high risk of being infected such as senior citizens, persons who are immune-compromised or with co-morbidities, and pregnant women.

Specifically, the following limitations shall be imposed:

- A. Restrict the non-essential entry of people to the contained area, especially people who are at high risk of being infected (i.e., 60 years old and above, immunocompromised or with co-morbidities and pregnant women), EXCEPT:
 - health workers, except those transporting persons considered as PUIs unless authorized by the City IATF;
 - 2. authorized government officials;
 - those travelling for medical or humanitarian reasons;
 - 4. persons providing basic services, public utilities and basic needs;
 - persons on board land, sea or air transport delivering all types of cargoes and goods provided that for land transport only a maximum of two (2) persons shall be allowed; provided further that crew members of sea and air transports shall not be allowed to disembark;
 - 6. wholesalers/distributors within Zamboanga del Norte purchasing goods and/or with banking/financial transactions in Dipolog City, provided they present valid business permit from their respective LGU; provided further that only a maximum of two (2) persons shall be allowed;
 - 7. City, Provincial and National Government employees and workers reporting for work; and
 - essential private sector employees living outside Dipolog City, provided they are included in the approved list submitted by their employers to the Permits and License Division. Employees shall present proof of identification at the border checkpoint for verification purposes.

Provided that the above-mentioned persons must submit a declaration form prior to entry and must be checked for signs and symptoms (e.g. fever, respiratory symptoms, diarrhea).

B. Prevent the non-essential exit of people out of the contained area, EXCEPT:

- 1. health workers;
- 2. authorized government officials;
- 3. those travelling for medical or humanitarian reasons; and
- 4. those who were granted entry as mentioned in Section 1A.

SEC. 2. RESTRICTIONS ON GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE FACILITIES AND ESTABLISHMENTS. — To facilitate social distancing measures and further restrict mobility, the following limitations shall be imposed:

A. CLOSED to the PUBLIC

- Dipolog Sports Complex (Olingan);
- 2. Dipolog Aquatic Center (Swimming Pool);
- 3. Local Tourist Destinations
- 4. All covered courts and multi-purpose halls;
- Public and Private Schools, Preschools and Day Care Centers;
 Other educational facilities and training centers;
- 6. All commercial and food establishments, stalls, and refreshment kiosks at the Dipolog Boulevard;
- 7. Bars, Restobars, Videoke and KTV bars, cocktail lounges, massage parlors, vaping stores, internet shops, billiard halls, game arcades, play areas, and similar establishments;
- 8. Gyms, basketball courts, badminton courts and similar establishments;
- 9. Bazaars, ukay-ukay stores, surplus shops and similar establishments;

B. LIMITED OPERATIONS

- 1. Dipolog City Port (Galas Port), only for the delivery of goods and cargoes;
- 2. Dipolog City Land Transport, only for the delivery of essential goods and services and limited only to two persons per delivery vehicle may be allowed to enter;
- 3. Dipolog City Airport, only for the delivery of goods and essential entry and exit of people upon prior coordination with the City Government and the IATF;
- 4. Dipolog City Central Public Market and City Food Terminal (Taboan) shall be open but shall maintain only one entrance and one exit, and observe social distancing;
- 5. Malls, stores and other similar establishments shall limit their daily operations only until 6:00 o'clock in the evening, EXCEPT for the following essential commerce, provided that social distancing and sanitation measures are imposed:

- a. Groceries and convenience stores and similar establishments that sell basic commodities
- b. Pharmacies and drug stores
- c. Medical and dental clinics, diagnostic centers and laboratories
- d. Gasoline and licensed water refilling stations
- e. Banks, financial institutions and similar establishments
- 6. Only restaurants and food establishments, including carenderias, with takeout and/or delivery order arrangements are allowed (No dine-in services).
- Hotels, pension houses and similar establishments shall continue their operations but those which have restaurants and dining areas shall only cater to their check-in guests.
- 8. Employers with workers residing outside Dipolog City are encouraged to provide living quarters or temporary accommodation for essential personnel.
- 9. Private employers should immediately submit a list of their workers residing outside Dipolog City at the Permits and Licenses Division located at 2nd floor, Dipolog Boulevard Commercial Building.
- **SEC. 3. PUBLIC TRANSPORT.** All public transport shall only be allowed 50% of their load capacity. For Motorcabs, Baobao and Tri-sikad, only two (2) maximum passengers are allowed. For single motorcycles, only one (1) "backride" is allowed, provided that both wear helmet or facemask.

There shall be no increase in fare rates. Any violation shall be charged to the fullest extent of the law.

- **SEC. 4. PRICE FREEZE.** Consistent with Republic Act No. 7581, otherwise known as the "Price Act," and Proclamation No. 922, s. 2020 issued by President Rodrigo Duterte, a price freeze of all basic necessities shall continue to be in effect. Any trader, vendor or establishment found violating the price freeze shall be charged to the fullest extent of the law.
- **SEC. 5. ENHANCED COMMUNITY QUARANTINE.** The City Government, upon recommendation from the Dipolog City Inter-Agency Task Force on the Management of Emerging and Re-Emerging Infectious Diseases (DCIATF-MERID), may place the entire City or any portion thereof, including a barangay, building, household or any number thereof under Enhanced Community Quarantine should conditions warrant.

This refers to the imposition of stricter quarantine measures, absolute suspension of transportation, regulation on the provision of food and essential health services, and the heightened presence of uniformed personnel to enforce health and quarantine protocols.

- **SEC. 6. PUBLIC PROTECTION HOURS.** For the general welfare and protection of the public, all persons are hereby prohibited from loitering around the City from 6:00 o'clock in the evening until 6:00 o'clock in the morning for students and minors; and 10:00 o'clock in the evening until 4 o'clock in the morning, except on extreme necessity. The following persons are however allowed:
 - 1. health workers;
 - 2. authorized government officials;
 - 3. those travelling for medical or humanitarian reasons;
 - 4. persons providing basic services and public utilities;
 - persons delivering food, water, medicines and other essential commodities;
 - 6. essential services and skeletal workforce of exempted establishments, the City and Provincial Governments

SEC. 7. ENFORCEMENT AND SANCTIONS. — The Dipolog City PNP is directed to take the lead in enforcing the provisions of this Order and relevant laws and issuances, especially in restricting the entry, exit and mobility of persons within the territorial jurisdiction of Dipolog.

The City Health Office (CHO), City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office (CDRRMO), City Sanitation Office, SCAA and other concerned offices shall render necessary assistance and logistical support in the effective enforcement of this Order. Other agencies and offices may be called upon to aid in administrative and management efforts of the City Government.

Barangay officials should activate their respective Barangay Health Emergency Response Teams (BHERTs) for the round-the-clock detection and monitoring of COVID suspects.

The Permits and License Division is hereby ordered to monitor strict compliance of this Order and pertinent regulations by business establishments.

Any person who fails or refuses to abide with the foregoing guidelines and measures shall be subjected to appropriate criminal, civil and administrative actions as may be allowed by law and prevailing circumstances, including the revocation of business permits.

SEC. 8. DURATION AND EFFECTIVITY.

This Order shall take effect at 12:01 A.M of March 18, 2020 and until April 14, 2020, subject to lifting or extension should conditions warrant and upon advise from the Department of Health (DOH) or higher authorities. All persons who do not wish to be covered by the foregoing restrictions are directed to immediately leave Dipolog City before the effectivity of the Community Quarantine.

The foregoing Order shall be implemented in conjunction with the pertinent issuances by the DOH, DILG and higher authorities. Any conflict or inconsistency therewith shall be strictly construed so as to give effect to maximum protection of the general welfare of our constituents. This is our city! Let us protect it and our inhabitants from the impact of this pandemic the best way we know how!

Let copies of this Executive Order be furnished to all concerned agencies and the mass media for their information and widest dissemination.

Done in the City of Dipolog, this 16th day of March in the year of the Lord 2020.

DAREL DEXTER T. UY

City Mayor